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78 TRAINING WING ACTIVATED BY C.F.T.C., COL. DAVIS COMMANDS

Activation of the 78 Flying Training Wing, Army Air Forces, with headquarters at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, has been announced by the Central Flying Training Command at Randolph Field, Texas. Col. Michael F. Davis, commanding officer of the Center, will serve as commander of the new training wing.



Appointment of four Cadet Center officers to staff positions within the wing was made in General Order No. 1 issued by Colonel Davis under the training wing organization. The new wing officers are Lt. Col. Albert M. Guidera, Maj. James D. Landauer, Capt. Oliver G. Billings Jr., and Maj. George C. Kilmetz.

Colonel Guidera, formerly air inspector of the Cadet Center, has been assigned duties as air inspector.

Major Landauer, formerly Cadet Center executive officer, will serve as executive officer for the 78 Wing.

Captain Billings, assistant air inspector for the Cadet Center, has been assigned administrative duties as assistant air inspector for the wing.

Major Kilmetz, adjutant of the
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The six stars in the 78 Training Wing firmament are: Upper right, Col. Michael F. Davis, middle, Col. Edwin Sullivan middle right, Lt. Col. Albert M. Guidera, lower left, Capt. Oliver G. Billings, Jr. lower middle, James D. Landauer, and lower right, Maj. George C. Kilmetz.



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WHAT'S KNOWN ABOUT THE INVASION

By Sgt. Charles D. Brown

The coming invasion of western Europe is fast resembling the weather. Everyone is talking about it and no one seems able to do anything about it. Most of the adjectives have been exhausted already in attempts to find new words in the dictionary to describe it, although not a landing barge has crunched the rocky shore of Hitler Europe, except on the commando information raids.

The invasion is like the weather in another way. It resembles a hurricane that may be reported off the Gulf coast headed inland. No one knows where it will strike or when, no power on earth can withstand its first shock and the sweep of its unknown force. All one knows about a Gulf hurricane is that it will strike somewhere once it is headed inland.

It is well to remember that our first landings on North Africa were preceded by months of complete silence, and that all preparations were made with such secrecy that only officers of the rank of general were intrusted with the intimate details of time and place. Compare this with the months of predictions about "coming invasion" on the shores of western Europe, on the northern approaches to Hitler Germany.

At the first of the year a fresh crop of predictions rolled off the press, coming from the really important military man, even including Gen. Eisenhower himself who will personally lead the invasion. Gen. Devers who has trained the invasion forces through arduous months of mock battle in Britain spread his message all over the newspapers, saying: "...there is no longer any doubt of Allied victory" and "we have both the man-

power and materiel to bring this war to a successful conclusion".

Commanding generals of a theater of operations do not make statements for publication without thinking about it very seriously, and without prior approval of the statement from their superiors in Washington.

This means that United Nations leadership saw the opportunity for psychological warfare and played it to the full in the case of our invasion of Europe, but that such an opportunity did not, in their opinion, exist in the case of the North African invasion.

Very little is known about the invasion. Most of the talk has been calculated to seep through to the Germans and make them realize they are going to meet a Gulf storm sailing in unannounced. It will employ thousands of ships, fleets of hundreds of aircraft, several million men in combat grappling with the seasoned German troops. It will come soon.

The exact time, and the place or places remain secret. If they do not, we are really in for trouble. In this preliminary, preparatory stage it has been a clever psychological war, at which we proved our ability to equal the Germans. Isn't it rather naive to swallow all the invasion stories when all the Germans would have to do to get them would be to buy a pair of scissors.

DAILY NEWS AND RESEARCH

Read the Daily War News bulletin for a condensation of the latest communiques. The reverse of the publication carries a daily feature "Behind the News" with timely research material.



WE BACK THE SOLDIERS WHO FIGHT OVER THERE BY SHELLING OUT -- BUY NOW

Let's Lend More.

"Keep Firing!" is the order in Italy, in New Guinea, and now on the home front.

The Fourth War Loan Drive opened officially Jan. 18, to fire another shot at the Axis.

Because it takes more than one round of ammunition to win a battle, it's taking more than one war loan drive to finance this war. Bullets that bonds bought last summer lie in Nazi and Jap graves. More bullets are needed.

This is no part time war. Participation in the financing of this war will not be sufficient. Continual and increased effort is necessary.

Thousands of American soldiers have already fought, but they can't stop when they feel they've fought enough. In preparing to fight, the port of embarkation soldier cannot quit half way round the cross-country, or half way through his bayonet drill. Nor can the soldiers still in the United States stop buying bonds when they feel they have bought enough.

In the Eighth Service command, as in all War Department installations, we have the opportunity to count toward our Fourth War Loan Drive quotas, pay deductions for War Bonds both the military Class B pay allotments and the civilian employee's Class A reservations during the period Jan. 1 to Feb. 29.

This is everybody's war. Let's all back the attack.



THE HIDDEN TREASURES OF DARKNESS

By Chaplain C.T. Miller

How strange it is that perfect confidence comes out of experiences that seem most to disprove the care and providence of God! There is a secret here that the world does not understand. The man, who against odds, believes in God's goodness is rewarded by a vision of spiritual realities that others do not enjoy. God shows him, as Isaiah says, the hidden treasures of darkness. Like a blindman, he finds his way to the keys of God's great organ, and brings out music that he would never have found if outward darkness had not settled down upon him.

Indeed, it is only by faith that sets its face like flint amid the contradictions of life that mountains are moved, and the reality of God's promises is proved. It is the man who has experiences that seem to disprove the goodness of God who really proves it. Jesus said to his disciples, "Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." He knew that under the desperate strain upon a man's faith when he is mocked for doing right, he will be enabled to tap undreamed of sources of joy and power. As Shakespeare says, "Nothing almost sees miracles but misery".

The genius who wrote the Elijah and Elisha stories puts this truth with unforgettable vividness in the story about the morning when Elisha and his young man awoke to find their village surrounded by the Syrians, and the young man cried, "Alas, father, what shall we do?" But the old prophet prayed for the Lord to open his eyes, and lo, the mountains were filled with horses and chariots round about Elisha.

This is why some people whose lives are notably full of pain and trouble have an unshakable faith in such psalms as the 23rd and 91st. The world looks on in wonder, and men exclaim, "Why do these sufferers believe in God so serenely when their own experiences every day belie the promises which they quote so confidently?" The onlookers do not understand how their troubles have given these sufferers a second sight. And unnumbered disciples will bear witness to a peace and serenity amid the most distressing circumstances, a calmness that surprised both them and their friends. Paul describes it as the peace of God that passeth all understanding.

POST HQ. SECRETARY WORKED FOR GOVT. IN THE YUKON

"The Yukon territory had all of the glamor I often read about", says Miss Mary Lou Luckenbach, who recently joined the headquarters staff as secretary to Capt. Clinton A. Connelly and Lt. Ernest B. Geisendorff. On her way to and from the Yukon she traveled by plane, boat and rail.

Miss Luckenbach is a native San Antonian. She worked as a government employee at White Horse, a main artery of the Alcan Highway, and also at colorful Skagway. "Alaska was great fun", says the localite. "It was strange, though, enjoying so much daylight at what should have been night time."

COMFORTS, WISE-CRACKER HELP TENT CITY RELAX



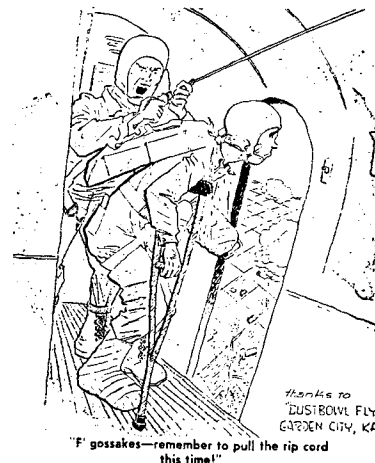
Reading from left to right: Pvt. L. H. Kachinsky, Pvt. A. Rodrez, PFC W. Turner, Pvt. D. Kingstrom, PFC R. A. Queen, PFC H. G. Langley, Pvt. O. E. Ridas, PFC F. J. Crossley, PFC J. Annunziata, Sgt. M. H. Dietz, Pvt. J. W. Holland, Pvt. E. F. Hussey, Pvt. O. B. Brifton, PFC T. O'Malley, Pvt. J. Vasquez.

By Sgt. John M. Kuss

Tent City dwellers need no longer shiver in their tents these cold evenings because they can now while away their free time in a new, well-equipped Day Room. This recreation center is located in Building 4750, a former mess hall, which fact makes it the biggest squadron Day Room on the Hill.

The feature attraction is a newly purchased pool table. Other equipment includes ping pong tables, magazine racks, writing tables, comfortable chairs, and numerous games. A reliable source reports that a piano will be installed in the near future. Other equipment will be purchased as war-time rationing will permit. In the meantime the men in the squadron are thoroughly enjoying the rather limited conveniences already there.

Sgt. Dietz is custodian of the Day Room. Under his direction great things are expected by way of improvements. So far he has displayed his talents only in the numerous signs he has posted at strategic positions throughout the Day Room. One of these gems posted on a low-hanging rafter reads: "What the hell did you expect to find here, your furlough?" This is strictly Dietzian and he's rather proud of it. But greater things are expected of him in the immediate future.



"F gossakes—remember to pull the rip cord this time!"

FAMOUS WOMAN ILLUSTRATOR BEGINS CLASSES IN MUSEUM; SPECIAL PRICES FOR EM

Ruth Conerly, nationally-known commercial illustrator, has been engaged by the San Antonio Art Institute to teach fashion and advertising illustration. Classes begin on Jan. 19, and will be held at the Witte Museum from 1930 to 2130 every Wednesday evening. Students may enroll any time. Special privileges are accorded service men and women.

Miss Conerly began her art career in Dallas working for Tytche-Goettinger. She was art director of this store for several years. Since then she has worked chiefly through large advertising agencies in New York and Chicago handling such accounts as Chrysler, Buick, Tangee, Princess Coats, etc. She has done story illustrations for a number of leading magazines, and was fashion illustrator for Saks, 5 Avenue, Best & Co., Macys, De Pinna Dress Shop, and other leading stores in New York.

Recently the Chicago Professional Institute hired her to give a series of lectures on illustrating. She has also lectured in Washington and elsewhere. At present she is actively engaged in doing War Bond illustrations for Marshall Field & Co., Chicago.

Other night classes held at the Witte Museum include Life Drawing, Portrait Painting and Ceramics.

The schedule follows:

LIFE DRAWING—Tuesdays, 1930 to 2130
Tuition—\$2.00 per month for civilians
\$1.00 for service men

COMMERCIAL ILLUSTRATION—Wednesdays
1930 to 2130—
Tuition—\$5.00 per month for civilians
\$2.00 per month for service men

PORTRAIT PAINTING—Fridays, 1930 to 2130

Tuition—\$5.00 per month for civilians
\$2.00 per month for service men

CERAMICS—Art of Making Pottery
Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 1930 to 2130
Tuition—\$1.00 per lesson.

SIX SAACC G.I.'S ATTEND CAMP HOOD CONFERENCE

Six Post GIs came back from three days detached service at Camp Hood, Texas, last week full of new ideas on how to whip up a show for soldiers without the help of professional talent or equipment. They were among a thousand selected to attend the Jan. 10, 11 and 12 congregation.

Of the six Sgt. Lou Schneider, the persuasive Christmas seal salesman, Cpl. Lou Ray Montgomery, Skyline Patrol script writer and performer, and Sgt. Frank B. Durkee, the erudite director of "Room Service" came from the 509 Base Hq. and Air Base Sq., largest EM squadron on the Hill. The other three were Sgt. Irving Packowitz, 881 Sq. talented radio actor, Sgt. Unto Hantunen, 885 Sq. Finnish producer of plays, and Pvt. James Conners, versatile dance director of the Convalescent Training Program in the Station Hospital.

Particular attention was focused toward the need of brightening the fare for soldiers in dull stations and in battle areas far away from Bob Hope and Frances Langford.

Among the celebrities the six were on intimate terms with beautiful Hedy LaMarr, Cpl. Harold Rome, lyric author of "Pins and Needles" and "FDR Jones" who has written "Special Service Makes Me Nervous" and "Please Be Kind to Your Sergeant". Cpl. Rome is a GI himself. He proved a musical revue could be written in three easy lessons. Norman Corwin, the radio script writer, was there and spoke informally on The Production of Radio Scripts, Sources of Materials and Use of the Radio Show to the Visual Audience.

Highlight of the show was the contribution of Hollywood's ace make-up artist, Perc Westmore. With the help of a few of Mother Nature's ingredients such as flour, castor oil, paprika, GI mops and grape fruit he transformed a private into the "1944 Glomp Girl" in the space of ten minutes.

Margaret Whiting, the latest Hit Parade songstress, played on heartstrings with renditions of old time songs. Hollywood Quiz Master Stew Wilson demonstrated radio quiz techniques. Ray Bolger, the funny acrobatic star of "By Jupiter", Leroy Prince, the dance director, and Mary Brissen, who will star in the picture, "Life of Gershwin", contributed their specialties toward the further education of SAACCs representatives.

The athletic and recreation branch of the War Department's Special Service Division has seen fit to make this course one of a series of Soldier Show conferences to be held in all the Service Commands. Behind these demonstrations by the individual experts in show business is a method to be followed so that GIs attending the conferences can learn to put on their own shows without help from their professional brethren. Eventually, this training will bear fruit overseas for those selected to attend.

A new show produced in the Cadet Center will begin production in about two weeks. Such is the quick transfer of master talent to the students.

EM CLUB

Don't forget the EM Club—open from 0800 to 2200—games, reading, music and dark-room.

On the porch—sandwiches, doughnuts, coffee and soft drinks.

THURBER-NUGENT "MALE ANIMAL" PLAYS FRIDAY

The sparkling comedy of college life, *The Male Animal*, by James Thurber, noted cartoonist and wit, and Elliott Nugent, Hollywood director-actor, will be the next USO-CAMP SHOWS unit to appear in Service Club #2 at 1915, and later in Service Club #1 at 2015 Friday. Station Hospital convalescents will see an afternoon benefit performance.

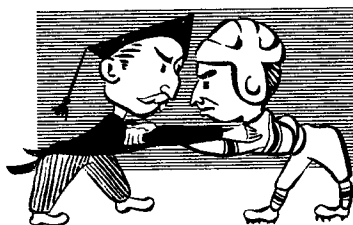


HOPE BULKELEY

The play, in three acts, depicts the story of the trials and tribulations that attend young Professor Turner, when, on the eve of the big game of the year, a former gridiron hero and former swain of Mrs. Turner returns to the campus to see the game and to renew old acquaintances. Not content with burdening their hero with the elemental problem of jealousy engendered by the appearance of his wife's former admirer, the authors add the extra complication of having a campus editor hold him up as a dangerous radical.

How the professor wrestles with primitive jealousy and the need for courage to maintain his liberal convictions, is the backbone of the farcical evening, and provides the excuse for one of the funniest of comedy scenes. The ex-All American's explanation of the forward pass to a feminine audience is also a scene that will never be forgotten.

Hope Bulkeley, who plays the female lead taken by Olivia DeHavilland in the movie version, is a cousin of the Lt. Bulkeley, who was commander of a PT boat and one of the heroes mentioned in "They Were Expendable".



SERVICE MEN'S SERVICE

CROCKETT ST. USO ANNOUNCES WINTER ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

By S/Sgt. Cliff Hilton

Long noted for its many services for service men and their wives, the USO located at 326 E. Crockett St. in San Antonio announces its schedule of winter activities for the coming months. If your wife happens to be one of those lucky few who have some time to herself, she'll be happy to learn of the weekly luncheons held every Monday afternoon at 1300. In addition to the fine meal usually served, a program of bridge instructions or some other special entertainment follows. Forty cents is all it costs, and reservations must be in by 2100 Sunday.

Every second and fourth Tuesday, there's the Wives' Supper at 1830. Monday night at 2100 is the deadline for reservations for this affair.

HUSBAND AND WIFE SUPPER.

If you and your wife would like a home-cooked meal in a private home, send in your reservations by Wednesday evening. Each and every Thursday evening until further notice, the USO offers this service. The affair is known as the "Husband and Wife" supper, and it starts at 1900. Charges are prorated according to the cost of the meal, so they are usually quite reasonable.

In addition, this club provides many other special services and activities for wives, mothers, and sweethearts of service men, women in the armed forces and women in war work. Truly, it is a home away from home. All are invited to visit the Crockett Street USO and enjoy the use of the kitchen, library, or the reading, writing, game, sewing, or nap rooms. In fact, every possible club facility is open to one and all.

CROOKS CONCERT TONIGHT

Lest we forget the unusual concert at the Municipal Auditorium tonight, the guest artist is the famous tenor. The box office will be open all day. Tickets for enlisted men and their guests cost but 55 cents. Don't miss this splendid attraction.

NO STAGS AT ARMY "Y"

DANCES SATURDAY NIGHT

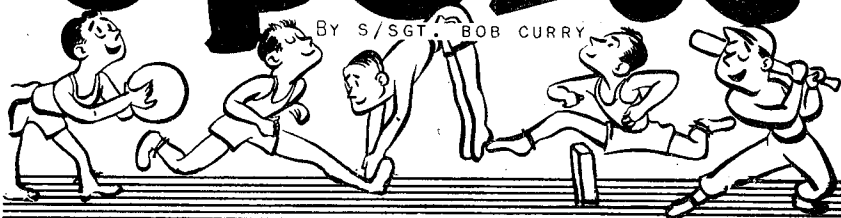
In case you are interested in taking the "girl friend" to a dance where you don't have to worry about somebody's blowing a whistle and a dozen GIs rushing to "cut in" on your date, the Army "Y" is just the place to go. The music is "canned", but it features the best in recorded dance music. The Army "Y" bulletin board carries a notice that the more requested tunes will be used on the juke box in the future. The informality of it all makes for a pleasant evening. Drop around sometime soon.

WE ASK YOU TO HELP

No doubt most of you men have found some little place to dine or dance which have proved just a little better than some of the rest. YARDBIRD urges you to pass that information on to your buddies by way of SERVICE MEN'S SERVICE. It isn't necessary to write it up with flowery descriptions. Just a few facts about the menu and the service and how to get there. Any such information will be greatly appreciated.

Sports

BY S/SGT. BOB CURRY



881 TRIPS 29 ALT. UNIT; PRU STILL UNDEFEATED

881st's star studded basketball forces shot and passed with accuracy and precision to topple 29 Altitude Training Unit from the ranks of the undefeated in the Enlisted Men's league at the Cadet Center Field House Friday night. The final score 35-31 is a just indication of the closeness of the struggle in which 881 was forced to bring into play all the basketball technique and resourcefulness at their command to snap the five game winning streak of their opponents.

Chuck Richardson of 881 and John McMahon, the wheelhorse of the Altitude team, engaged in a brilliant scoring duel, each registering 16 points. Richardson found the range eight times while Big Mac sank six from scrimmage and four from the foul stripe. Both were extremely accurate from far out on the floor.

Altitude drew first blood on baskets by McMahon and McLaughlin, the center. Richardson and Frank Isola tied it at 4-4, then John Easley's one-hander knotted it at six—all after Richardson had dribbled the length of the floor to give 881 the lead. The quarter ended 13-7 with Richardson dropping in two from outside the defense and Howdy Goodman sinking a basket and a free throw to Altitude's lone free shot by Endicott.

Richardson dropped in a long one from the corner and Goodman scored from charity lane before McMahon came through for Altitude with a basket and free throw and Max Odell scored a free one to make the score 16-11. Eddie Rathjen broke into the scoring column with a free throw and punched in a set shot a moment later. McMahon whittled the 881 margin to four points with a field goal and a pair of Annie Oakleys and John Easley's shot offset Rathjen's basket to bring the score to 21-17 in favor of 881 at the half.

THIRD QUARTER THRUST

The third was a see-saw affair. 881 forged into a 10-point lead in a hurry as baskets by Bill Adams, Cleon Kaster and Rathjen brought the score to 27-17. Altitude fought back to within four points on two one-handed pokes by Easley and a "long Tom" by McMahon. Goodman and Richardson each connected with beautiful set shots to put 881 into a 31-23 lead at the finish of the third.

881 was forced to stave off a determined bid by the hard fighting 29 in the last period. Easley scored to open the period, then with five minutes to go 881 lost it's best "under the basket" man, Ed Rathjen. McMahon sank a free throw, then Richardson drove beneath the basket to score and it was 33-26. McMahon and Richardson matched baskets and 881 had a seven-point lead with two minutes to go. Another long shot by McMahon and a gift

toss by Easley completed the scoring and the game ended 35-31 for 881.

Hq. & Hq. (AAFCC) tripped 885 22-21 on a last minute basket by Ragsdale to gain a second place tie. The Hq. & Hq. quintet overcame 885 15-11 lead in the first half to win in a thrilling finish that saw the lead change hands five times in the last half. Austin was high for the winners with 10 points.

In other games 882 trimmed 1043 32-18, 509 coasted to an easy 33-17 victory over Ordnance with Coach Tom Harp substituting freely, the Medics tripped 883, 28-21 in a hard fought contest, and 884 won their second game 23-15 with Hq. & Hq. (Preflight) as their victims.

THE STANDINGS

	W	L	AVE
PPU	5	0	1.000
29 ATU	5	1	.833
Hq. & Hq. (AAFCC)	5	1	.833
885	4	2	.667
882	4	2	.667
881	4	2	.667
Medics	4	2	.667
509	3	2	.600
883	2	4	.333
884th	2	4	.333
Hq. & Hq. (AAFPs)	2	5	.286
Ordnance	1	5	.167
QMC	0	5	.000
1043	0	6	.000

P-38s, WHO HAD WON THREE, LOSE 4th GAME TO RANDOLPH

The high-flying P-38s, a potent 28 Av. Sq. five, took a nose dive Thurs., Jan. 13, before the onslaught of the Randolph cagers 31-27, at the Recreation Center on Potomac St. It was the first loss in four starts for the P-38s.

Harris of Randolph was high point man with 10 markers. Weston, scored eight points for the losers. "Flash Gordon" Syms, pride of the P-38s, was stopped cold.

Previously, the 28 team had beaten the Phyllis Wheatley Lions, Jan. 6, 41-28. Syms scored 17 points in that fray.

HILL PT FIVE LOSE OPENER IN ARMY Y-USO LEAGUE TO KELLY WAR WORKERS, 45-40

The Cadet Center PT Instructors basketball team lost its opening game in the Army Y-USO cage league to the Kelly Field War Workers quintet 45-40 Monday night.

The game was a nip and tuck affair all the way with Kelly holding a three-point edge at the intermission, 33-30. Craft and Kraus were high scorers for the winners with 10 and eight points, respectively. Eddie Rathjen, SAACC center, pumped seven field goals through the hoop to take top scoring honors with 14 points, followed closely by guard John McMahon who hit five baskets from the floor and three pitches from the foul line for 13 points.



LT. TYSZKOWSKI TAKES OVER AS EM PT DIRECTOR

Taking charge of the physical training program for the Post Enlisted Men's squadrons on Jan. 5 is Second Lt. Walter Tyszkowski, native of Providence, R. I. where he resided at 391 Pine Street.

Lt. Tyszkowski won 14 medals and two trophies in high school, YMCA and college wrestling, gymnastics and boxing. He is a graduate of Central High School at Providence where he played guard on the football team and later played the same position at Southwestern State Teachers College at Weatherford, Okla. Wrestling in the 155-pound class he annexed the state interscholastic championship in his senior year. He served as varsity boxing and wrestling coach at Oregon State College at Corvallis, Ore. for two and one half years, at the same time studying for his degree which he received in 1940.

Lt. Tyszkowski served as an enlisted man before entering Officer's Candidate School at Miami Beach, Fla., where he received his commission on Dec. 11, 1943. He absorbed his basic training at Camp Roberts, Calif., and served with the Fourth Air Force, Hq. & Hq. San Francisco, attaining the rank of corporal.

The lieutenant is 27 years of age, single and resides at the Officer's Quarters at the Cadet Center. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. Tyszkowski reside at 45 Elmwood Avenue, Providence, Rhode Island.

BUY MORE BONDS

PRE FLIGHT

Pot-pourri

STATION HOSPITAL NEWS

By T/5 H. M. Zentner

Now that the New Year's epidemic of black eyes, all due to the traditional doorknob, of course, has begun to subside, let's on with the news. It is a question of whether Pvt. Kenneth Fox is a lucky man or not. From Illinois, Pvt. Fox arrived with the original Illinois group, married a San Antonio gal, planned to settle down here and now has been shipped, of all places, to Illinois.

If anyone thinks of an appropriate comment, this column would appreciate being notified. Members of X-Ray, curious as to the identity of the cartoonist responsible for the completely fanged and labeled cartoon appearing on their bulletin board, can cease suspecting PFC Swanson of surgery. Use of the rubber hose on T/5 Price, will probably elicit the desired information. Cracked one wag in the post office: "Either Christmas, or Joe Nunes will have to go". The guy's still getting presents.

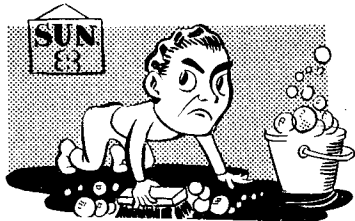
Sgt. Seymour Chappe's Achilles' heel has at last been discovered. To see the poor fellow fall apart, like a chameleon on a Persian rug, just give him a puzzle, any type will do, or send him a jig-saw letter. Details may be had by personal inquiry. Best story to come out of the Hospital this week concerns a certain GI, who, because of some gut trouble, was forced to undergo the rigors of several enemas. One day, unable to stand it any more, he leaped from his bed in a frenzy and tacked up on the nearby wall a sign which read: "Who goes there—friend or enema?"

FIGHTIN' 509 GOSSIP

By S/Sgt. Cliff Hilton

Something has gone wrong with our elaborate espionage system around here, for the spies have failed to turn in any real dirt this week. Maybe some of the boys found out who gave us those choice tid bits we had been receiving...

Our distinguished editor left on furlough Tuesday, so we might get away with mentioning him this week. Mort seems to have a certain



dislike for anything resembling physical labor. A recent GI party in barrack 1147 found Cpl. Reisfeld among the missing. 'Tis said he was quite put out because he had to spend a nice sunny Saturday afternoon scrubbing the area around his bunk.

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29 ATU NEWS AND VIEWS

By PFC Lester McCormick

The 29 Alt. Unit has recovered from welcoming the arrival of 1944, but why has there been such a lack of sleep during the successive weekends?

The new year has been harsh to Pvt. Robert Sherman who says, "I am foregoing the wiles of the wicked city temporarily while advancing myself intellectually here on the Post, by reading the works of the masters". The five heads of Shea, Stana, Walling, Gross and Knox were seen through a window (it is dangerous to get closer). From their grim faces we assume they, too, are staying put. Three days isn't forever, and there is always the promise of more additions to your group.



Cpl. Edward Vainner, Sgt. Finis Smith, and Sgt. Austin L. Brown assembled with other GIs down Old Mexico way, where all enjoyed the mystery and wonders of our neighboring country.

The 29 ATU was well represented at the Russian Ballet. Have we graduated to a higher plane, or was it merely in hopes of cementing a closer relationship with our Allies?

There was much heated discussion during Lt. Davenport's newest orientation classes. From the prepared outline and class discussion, everyone gained a closer insight into problems presented and possible improvements concerned with one of our most important topics—eating.

There isn't much news on the sports front this week with the exception of bruises displayed by many of our members. Some of the boys are really putting their hearts and souls into our football games, not to mention elbows and knees. We might just mention that the 29th is still undefeated in basketball and going strong to fulfill our prediction of an undefeated season, or at least to emerge champs of the league.

332 COMMANDOS ON THE GO

By Sgt. Charles Merkelz

Hq. & Hq. Sq. has just begun an "intensive" training program arranged by Maj. E.S. Hewitt, to give each man a working knowledge of combat tactics. The finishing touches to the course will be made by none other than the "Commando Kid" himself—S/Sgt. Harry Miller. A rumor from a reliable source predicts overnight hikes at the conclusion. And it won't be like that last formation—we'll walk this time.

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NOTES ON THE 882

By PFC James P. Shovlin, Jr.

The squadron party will be held in the Rose Room of the Gunter Hotel Sat., Jan. 15. Everyone is invited. There will be a 14-piece orchestra to furnish the music for the jitterbugs, and a buffet supper will be served at 1930. No matter what you may have heard to the contrary, there will be FREE BEER. See you there, boys.



The exploits of 'Pancho' Harris and Roberto 'Rosita', Juanita, Consuela' O'Leary, are famed in song and story. Pancho is known on his service record as Cpl. Bernard Harris, and O'Leary's mother addresses her letters to Cpl. Robert O'Leary. Both are demon code instructors. But their interests are broader than just that. The two have been giving international relations considerable thought of late. After considerable discussion in the barrack, they reached the conclusion that international misunderstanding is invariably due to lack of contact between the two peoples involved. There was no point in 'letting George do it'. Three day passes were obtained and they set out for 'South of the Border to make as many contacts as possible.

That they were eminently successful in their private good will mission, is obvious from an examination of the above picture. It was taken in Nuevo Laredo, in Old Mexico. Roberto is on the left, Pancho on the right. Rumor has it that the Border Patrol has been put on the alert as far west as the California line.

A few weeks back, some of the boys of the squadron under the aegis of Sgt. Bob Ferguson, got together and formed the 882 Sq. bowling team. They have been bowling steadily ever since on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at Simon's, working out against two civilian leagues representing local business concerns. Their record to date is nothing short of phenomenal—18 straight games won. As a result, they are in the forefront of both leagues.

The team average at the present time is 165, tough to beat in any league. It's easy to understand why, though. Sgt. Bob did 240 in one game this week. His co-stalwarts are Sgt. Charles Hebner, Sgt. Walt Hardy, Sgt. Jules Sanchez, Cpl. Stan Trofater and Cpl. Harry White.

LATE NEWS

FLASH: The squadron basketball team just cleaned up on the Medics 23 to 19. The boys looked really hot as they swept to their third victory in a row. Complete details later.

Refurbishing of the squadron Day Room is nearly completed. The building has been completely painted inside. The lower woodwork has been stained a rich walnut. Curtains have been hung, and at the present time a composition floor is in the process of being laid. It will be ready for general use in another two or three days.

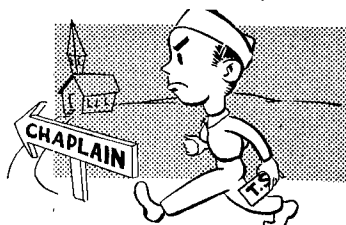
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885 NEWS AND VIEWS

By Sgt. Unto Hantunen and Cpl. Ed Krasinski

S/Sgt. Allbaugh returns from furlough and informs us his son turned out to be a daughter instead. Who is it that said, "If at first you don't succeed, try again".

Will someone show T/Sgt. Roscoe Townes the way to the



chaplain's office. He could be heard bellowing about being giggered for two successive days... S/Sgt. Harold Berkey is taking the paper salvage too seriously. The other day he was observed trying to save some blotters, by erasing ink marks off them. Elsie is happy once again. Sgt. Mickey Block and Cpl. Ace Ali have returned from their furlough. Had the pleasure of meeting the girl the other day. She and the Ace should make an ideal couple.

Witnessed the basketball game between our squadron and 881 Sq. The game was very exciting throughout. The team clicked as a unit, and there were many outstanding plays including shots by S/Sgt. Dunn, Cpls. Wells and Lefty Grove. Let's all go out and root the home team into first place. Grove will try for those wings again. He certainly will be missed by the boys in the squadron. His noise and antics kept many a soldier in a happy mood.

The newlyweds of the squadron, Sgt. Renek and Cpl. Schulte, are getting circles beneath their eyes. The transportation from San Antonio is insufficient.

Cpl. Francis Kelly, the lawn keeper, has gone to whiter pastures. He has joined the Ski Troops, and is now in Camp Hale, Colo. We can assure you that the good corporal won't let any grass grow under his feet.

PRU UNIT BRIEFS

By Cpl. Ervin Goodman

Slumming through Breckenridge Park is coming to be quite the thing for the PRUers. Pvt. Henry "Ridin High" Yeagley and his clym gter, Pvt. Ben "La Marseilles" French, looked quizzically at each other then peeked into the monkey cage. Afterwards I bumped into Cole of Maintenance and he told me French thinks that Yeagley has made some contacts at last with a long lost relative. Questioning Yeagley later, he said, "I don't believe in revolution".

On furlough: The lure of Mexico seeped into the blood of Sgts. Froehlich, Bjork, Lerner, and Cpl. Jack Bernard, so down to Mexico City they went, duly escorted, of course, by the Mrs.'s. The master sergeant picked the most intriguing, interesting view, quite apropos too: the erupting volcano of Paracutin. Sgt. Bjork couldn't comprehend the numerous Cadillac, Buicks and other high powered cars in Mexico City, and the lack of small cars the average man drives around here in the states. Sgt. Lerner, I guess, was taken in by the pyramids and probably his wife's reaction to the multitude of strange stimuli. Cpl. Bernard went to Monterey and took 90 pictures in three days.

Sgt. Grice spent a short time in Iowa City on his furlough. Saw Sgt. Robbins old chess buddy, Cpl. "Doug" Lawrence.

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CONTOURS

Congratulations, Sgt. Keller. We hope your housekeeping learned and delivered in Barrack #6160 and 6161 will put you in good stead with Maurine and home life. Tip: we of 6160, who perspired under his whip of cleanliness, know he can do a better job than he talks.

Great to see T/Sgt. John Wiley (on furlough) down here from his post at Miami Beach in the Administration Bldg. No more than two minutes elapsed before Sgt. Bjork asked him if he was going over to Group Testing. Wiley took the message. It was just like old times.

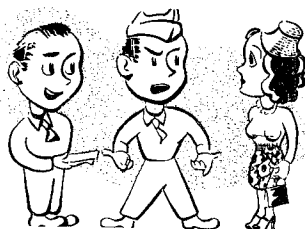
By word of mouth we hear the 885 Sq. had a first stringer delay his furlough so he could play against the aggressive, winning Pych basketball team. Your victory over the FT instructors (885) is an excellent example of 'your teacher may always know best, but does he always do best'. In the fray these Tuesday and Friday nights are the two Davises, Moline, Breen, Hambursky, Dover and Robbins. Lt. Wolfe has used good strategy in typing off team weaknesses (on both sides) after that gruelling 27-21 victory over 885 Sq. It has paid off in new tactics against each opponent.

SHOTS FROM THE MEDICS

By T/4 Clifton Coleman

Oh, Papa, what a wonderful child mine will be. That is what T/Sgt. Donald Olson and T/3 Horace Andrews think as they swap stories about painting baby's crib and the miles they walk in the cool of evening.

In the past it has always been the future bride's place to be nervous. However, PFC Raymond H. Hunt



and his fiancée were sitting in the park when your correspondent passed. Hunt was so nervous he couldn't introduce us. How will he stand on his legs for the wedding?

All of us soon hope to step from the pages of GI history out into a world of freedom, happiness and success. A new bond drive is on, so step up, soldier, and instead of saying, 'I'll take one of those, ask for a defense stamp. It will give you a greater buzz in the years to come. Each dime and dollar invested in bonds today, insures security in a world of peace tomorrow.

Sgt. Ernie Moen sits on the floor of his room with a photo, eating ice cream and singing 'You'd Be So Nice To Come Home To' as Ernie plans on departing for Minnesota on his furlough very soon. Will there be a Mrs. before he returns?

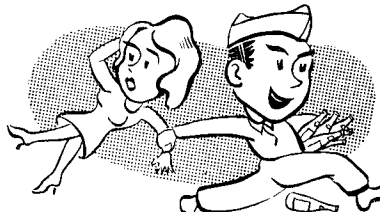
A trip to the culinary department this week found us stopping on Main Ave. at the Round Table Cafe. It has a bit of a homey touch. The food is excellent, served in family style, and moderately priced. On Sundays the rate is a little higher. Large selections of vegetables stand out on the menu.

The Mystery Man of the MPU is S/Sgt. Rufino S. Margo. Where does he spend all of his week-ends? He says the time is spent with his family here in town! A few of us have our own ideas.

HQ. & HQ. SQ., FILLIPS

By Sgt. John S. Curtis

No one plays his cards better than M/Sgt. Ruhmann, but his latest coup d'etat far surpasses any previous successes. He is, at present, a member of two organizations, in a manner of speaking: Hq. & Hq. and 885. Thus armed, he feels not the slightest qualms about attending the functions of



either — or both. He was seen leaving the recent squadron party with his wife on one arm and some beers in the other.

Credit S/Sgt. George Cain with the following items: The Gold dust twins — S/Sgt. Jake Golding and S/Sgt. Tote Fletcher are not on speaking terms. It all started over the pronunciation of an old Indian word. I am waiting for the pay-off. Fletch says 'Ten Dollas is ten dollas, especially after going to all the trouble of finding out how to pronounce the word'.

I wonder how it is to have a shiner and not know where you got it? That was the plight of Pvt. Glassman shortly after the celebration of New Year's entrance. (Con't. on page 8, Col. 2)

28 AVIATION SQ. PROPWASH

By Sgt. Joseph H. Thompson

Because your correspondent, Scoop Thompson, was a lucky furlougher during the holidays, 28 weekly squadron news have been neglected. Here is a review of past events.

After the carol singing Christmas at Service Club No. 2 and services by Chaplain Horn came the monthly squadron dance on Dec. 29. The Cadet Band played for this affair. S/Sgt. M. C. Thompson was emcee in my absence.

If you have a hobby, come to the Library and join the Hobby Club. We have model plane builders, artists, wood carvers, photo tint artists, charcoal artists and others. Join in, you specialists and amateurs.

FIGHTIN' 509

(Con't. from Page 6, Col. 1)

Congratulations are in order for newlymade shack-strippers Bob Curry, Orville Kretzmeier and Tim O'Keefe. Three-strippers effective 10 January 1944 are Halsey Davis and Ralph Steiger, while Virgil Datray was seen donning corporal chevrons for the first time.

S/Sgt. Mel Elliott finally got started for that school he was supposed to attend. The weather was too cold in Colorado, so he decided to go to one in Florida.

Cpl. Cronin complains that Sgt. Walter Buchanan borrowed his raincoat and didn't return it for three weeks. With the shortage of rubber hitting enlisted men just the same as civilians, it has been rather hard to get rubber sheets for the baby's crib, Walt claims.

Barrack chief Max Blasko has bought himself a neat whistle which he blows every morning to get his men out of bed.

With the return of each new group of furlonghees comes an influx of right smart-looking pajamas. Perhaps the cutest of the lot are the red peppermint striped pair Cpl. Lou Rydout brought back. The little green bow does something for them, too, but that shouldn't happen to anyone but Sinatra.....

T/Sgt. Jack Wood is on strike. He claims the cartoon that won first prize in the contest wasn't even funny. It's nothing but a Yankee conspiracy, he says. What's funny about a map of America as seen by a Texan????????????

Sgts. Lou Schneider and Frank Durkee and Cpl. Lou Ray Montgomery spent three days at Camp Hood learning to be soldier show directors, so don't be surprised if they approach you and ask if you can sing, dance, or play a musical instrument.

Sgt. Reichardt and Cpl. Prather have joined the ranks of the promised men. Their next furlough will probably find them taking the fatal step. That's all right, you GIs, maybe you won't get any more furloughs.

Snow was good for what ails low winter morale. There was more deep-throated laughter rolling off the office walls than at any time since we stood in line outside Joske's and listened to Santa Claus and wife.

Cpl. Ed Shea couldn't resist taking a throw at Sgt. Sid Rosenberg. Sid ducked, but Ed waited until those pants were tight and let fly. Bulls eye. Rosy's face was red.

IN THE 882

(Con't. from Page 6, Col. 3)

Sgt. Loren Reznor of Barrack 8107 didn't feel well. You know how it is, he didn't feel quite as frisky as usual, but he was not sick, either. Not he. Sgt. George Taavitsainen kept watching him with a speculative eye; he was very solicitous about Reznor's condition. Not too much so, you understand - just one pal slightly worried about another. Why, he didn't even check up on how Reznor was feeling very often - not over once every couple of hours. It got to the point, though, where Reznor thought he better drop into the Dispensary - just for a check-up. He did. THEY did. That is, THEY made a tentative diagnosis and removed him you know where.

Sgt. Taavitsainen? Oh, he didn't leave on his furlough tonite.

HQ. & HQ. SQ.

(Con't. from Page 7, Col. 3)

It has since returned to its normal color and the sun-glasses have disappeared.

One of those secretive, shy, Californians in the Personnel Section has agreed to aid in covering the squadron; hence, the following. Sgt. M. prefers that it be entitled 'Apropos of Nothing---Anonymous' OK, M! So be it.

Most of the men at Personnel have never really recovered from the shock of having been GDO'd and Classified as Pencil Pilots. Each morning upon arrival at the office they all rush in with that eager look in their eyes and ask anxiously "How is the P-38 this morning?" (Ed. Note: There is more here than meets the eye, no doubt.)

Cpl. MacDonald, late of California now just late, is never at a loss for something to do. Should it happen that there is a moment or two when he has nothing to do at work, he uses his time by sitting idly at his desk and admiring his mountainous ego --- with background music of 'I am to me - Everything!'

Things to be quickly overlooked: Satchel Seamans hasn't the neon tonsils of Sinatra. S/Sgt. Duff evidently met someone who didn't think it funny when asked for a twelfth consecutive cigarette. Witness the Boyer-esque lower lip the Duff wears with such aplomb. Sgt. O'Brien is a walking talking, nearly living example of the oft used phrase, addle pated, ever since the acquisition of a Red Head in the department. PFC McGraw has found a home---verily, even a mother.

These days, the only time T/Sgt. Bob Palmer takes his nose out of the Orderly Room's copy of Col. Virtue's red book is to tell someone about Betty Kay--the week old, wide eyed, red headed daughter who bears the name of Palmer.

Add this to the rumor column: This year, we will have to qualify on the dart board in addition to the usual weapons. In support of this, study the dart board in the Orderly room.

NOTES ON THE 332

(Con't. from Page 6, Col. 2)

Sgt. Glen "Winchell" Barnard previously of this column was transferred to Randolph Field. Honest, I was drafted for this issue.

That sudden shake up, or rather "shakedown" in the Orderly Room was merely the result of a policy to cut its personnel. The destiny of "Honest Abe" Honan is still a Military secret. Hereafter KP rosters will be made up by S/Sgt. Moe Fobinson. Give him hell, boys.

S/Sgt. Earl Sylvester was at last transferred to Wichita Falls for cadet training.

That sudden lull in barrack 8166 is because of the absence of "Doc" (On the Ball) DeSantolo. He's on furlough. Cpl. Lovejoy's new pajamas are "simply thrilling". Those new boys in 8162 are radio operators. Speaking of "hams", did you know Sgt. Furst has credit for 19 weeks basic training on his service record.

The sorting of mail will become simplified very shortly.... Sgt. Weed is gonna marry the gal. The love life of Sgt. Billy T. Morton is also due to reach a climax soon....she's in San Antonio, home of the Alamo and Dr. Montgomery.

CHRISTMAS SEAL SALE
BUYS CARE, SAVES LIFE OF
SAACC SERGEANT'S WIFE

One Army wife in San Antonio is grateful to the personnel of the Cadet Center for their contribution of one-fourth the total funds raised by Bexar County to fight tuberculosis. A part of the \$5,292.13 donated by the soldiers in the recent drive to sell Christmas seals will be used to bring her back to health.

As a result of a thorough physical check-up at the maternity ward of the Station Hospital, the young woman, wife of an Army sergeant stationed at the Center, learned that she was suffering from tuberculosis. The doctors prescribed several months of complete rest for her recovery.

Because she could not meet the three-year residence requirement, she was ineligible for admission to state institutions. There is no provision in an army sergeant's salary for extended payment of sanitarium bills and in desperation the sergeant appealed to Maj. James H. Mickey, head of the Army Emergency Relief at the Post, for assistance.



Report on the \$5,292.13 Christmas seal sale at the Cadet Center is presented to George H. Craze, left, of the Bexar County Tuberculosis Assn. by Maj. James H. Mickey, center, and Sgt. Lou Schneider, who directed the drive. Part of funds contributed by the soldiers will be used for treatment of the wife of one Post sergeant.

The drive for funds for the Bexar County Tuberculosis Association was in progress at the time the appeal was made. On the basis of the excellent response of Cadet Center personnel to the drive, Major Mickey referred the case of the army sergeant and his wife to George H. Craze, executive secretary of the association.

"It is primarily our purpose to practice prevention, not cure," Craze explains, "but emergency cases arise which we feel require our assistance. This was such a case."

Under the direction of the association, the soldier's wife has been comfortably established at home, provided with an attendant so that she may rest as long as necessary. She is expected to recover within a few months.

WILL ASSIGN MEN TO DUTY
WITHIN PHYSICAL ABILITY

Every man in a job that suits him best -- is the idea of the new War Department manpower order which will reassign to other duties many soldiers not suited for combat action. The term "limited service" is discontinued, but this does not mean that men formerly classified in limited service will be discharged. Such men will be given assignments where their training, experience and ability makes them most valuable.

Your Country Needs You—Buy War Bonds

RECORD SHOP

By S/Sgt. Cliff Hilton

GRIG'S CONCERTO IN A MINOR POPULAR

If you'd ask our ranking pianists which of the many piano concertos they consider the one most likely to meet with the approval of the audience, most would tell you, without hesitating, that the one by Edward Greig is still the favorite. Some critics would have you believe this is not true. They claim it has become stale and that it has been played too often. However, the average concert-goer doesn't attend enough concerts to ever tire of hearing this composition. The pervasive first theme has even become the basis for a popular song—"I Look At Heaven". Many a record collector has been introduced to classical music by way of Tin Pan Alley. That fact alone would make the popular music field a worthwhile proposition. If it could but introduce a hundred new collectors a year to the beauty of classical music, we would say it is doing a good job.

RUBINSTEIN ORTHODOX

Arthur Rubinstein is featured with the Philadelphia Orchestra in one of the most outstanding recorded performances. Eugene Ormandy conducts. Victor presents Album DM-900 for only \$3.50 plus tax. An unusual "buy". Mr. Rubinstein's version possesses a charm and vitality sometimes lost in a recording studio. Truly an exciting set of recordings.

DINAH AND FREDDY MARTIN

Dinah Shore and Freddy Martin collaborate in the popular "I Look At Heaven"—"I Can't Give You Anything But Love" coupling. The first is a condensed version of the CONCERTO, while the latter tune is not unfamiliar to any of your ears. Victor's popular Bluebird label carries this pair at only 35¢. It's number B-11487 in the catalogue.

GEMS OF JAZZ-VOL. 4 FEATURES THE HAWK

Coleman Hawkin's powerful tenor sax is heard to advantage in Decca's "Gems of Jazz" series #4. To many a collector, Hawk's sax work ranks first among the all time "greats" on that instrument. Also heard on this series of twelve recordings are many "names" like Fletcher Henderson, Benny Carter, Red Allen, Chu Berry, Max Kaminsky, Floyd O'Brien, and others.

On the first pairing, Freddy Johnson accompanies the Hawk on "Star Dust" and "Well All Right Then." (De 18251). The first side, is one of Coleman's finest solos. No. #18252 has "Lost in a Fog" and "I Ain't Got Nobody", both solos with piano accompaniment. Four sides feature Fletcher Henderson's band—"Nagasaki", "I've Got to Sing a Torch Song", "Night Life", and "It's the Talk of the Town". On "Talk of the Town", the tenor sax comes forth with a solo that will knock you out of your seat. Benny Carter and the Chocolate Dandies round out the album with the last four sides.

Important to note is the fact that this fine album is usually available at all the leading San Antonio record stores. Just \$4.50 for all 12 sides.

SNOW CHEERS PATIENTS

Last week's snow flurry did wonders for Station Hospital morale. Tex went up at least 50 percent in everyone's estimation. This remark, of course, does not apply to Texas.

SAACC CONTRIBUTED RECORD SALE OF CHRISTMAS SEALS; SGT. SCHNEIDER LED DRIVE

The military and civilian personnel of this Post have always contributed generously to the support of benevolent and patriotic activities.

Their purchase of Christmas Seals in the recent annual sale by the Bexar County Tuberculosis Association have, however, set an unusually remarkable record.

This Post contributed \$5,292.13, a donation far exceeding the proportion of the Post's personnel as compared to the rest of the county's population.

Col. Michael F. Davis, commanding officer of the Cadet Center, received a letter from George H. Craze, executive secretary of the Bexar County Tuberculosis Association which says, in part: "We are happy to inform you that the board, in a formal resolution, requested me to convey to you and the entire personnel at the Center our sincere thanks and deep appreciation for the magnificent response shown by your command."

Thanks were also extended by Mr. Craze to Lt. Col. Chester Hill and Sgt. Louis Schneider of the Special Services Office for their part in making the drive a success.

Col. Davis said, "I wish personally to thank the personnel of the Cadet Center for their public-spirited generosity and to further commend Sgt. Louis Schneider for his diligent effort in making the campaign successful."

KID OF THE WEEK



RICHARD EVERETT BOYES, blonde, blue-eyed son of T/Sgt. Samuel G. Boyes, 509, looks like his dad (poor kid) and is the "chow hound" of the family. Although only five months old, he is already athletically inclined and according to his dad is quite adept as a junior trapeze artist on the parallel bars and flying rings in his cradle gymnasium.

Richard was born at Brooks General Hospital, Aug. 6, 1943 and weighed fifteen pounds, eight ounces last week. His parents claim Philadelphia as their home where his father was employed by the E.G. Budd Co.. Sgt. Boyes is still in the transportation business in the Army, having been chauffeur for Col. M.F. Davis for over half the time he has been in the Army.

PHOTO CLUB PLANS BIG SCHEDULE IN EM DARK ROOM

By Cpl. Jack Bernard

A rejuvenated Photography Club met Jan. 11 for first meeting of 1944. Elections were held with Cpl. Robert B. Williams (29 Altitude Training Unit) becoming president, Cpl. Jack Bernard (Psych Research Unit #2) vice-president, and S/Sgt. Norbert Gottsman (1043 Guard Squadron), secretary. This done, the membership turned its attention to plans for future meetings which would be both interesting and profitable to all persons interested in photography, whether amateurs or experts. The decision was made to have speakers discuss special phases of photography for about 20 minutes of each meeting, after which general discussion of that topic will follow. On Jan. 18 Cpl. Bernard will speak on "Structure of the Camera" and "Photo-Optics". On Jan. 25 S/Sgt. Gottsman will discuss "Shutters and Shutter Speeds." Later talks on films, filters, enlarging, and child photography will come.

IMPROMPTU COMPETITION

Informal contests to which members may bring pictures on an assigned theme will come off each meeting, the winner to be decided by vote. For Jan. 25 the theme will be "Street Scenes", the following week "San Antonio River", than "Animals". GIs are also encouraged to bring their pictures to meetings for constructive criticism, aimed at improving their technique.

The Photography Club meets every Tuesday evening at 1800 in the Enlisted Men's Club in Preflight. All enlisted men on the field are eligible for membership. Interest in photography is the sole prerequisite. Members of the club have the privilege of using an excellently equipped darkroom in the EM Club and of going on photographic trips to be held in the near future. Whether you are an expert or have never clicked a shutter, drop around. We'll be glad to see you.



THEATRES #1 - 3

Sat. Jan. 22--THE LODGER with Merle Oberon, Laird Cregar, George Sanders.

Sun. Mon., Jan. 23-24 ALI BABA AND THE FORTY THIEVES--Technicolor--with Maria Montez, Jon Hall, Andy Devine.

Tues. Jan. 25--DOUBLE FEATURE CAREER GIRL (F) with Frances Langford, Edward Norris. ROOKIES IN BURMA with Alan Carney, Wally Brown.

Wed. Thurs., Jan. 26-27--SONG OF RUSSIA (F) with Robert Taylor, Susan Peters, Robert Benchley.

Fri. Sat., Jan. 28-29--THE MIRACLE OF MORGAN'S CREEK (F) with Betty Hutton, Eddie Bracken, Brian Donlevy, Akim Kirovoff.

THEATRES #2 - 4

Sun. Jan. 23--THE WOMAN OF THE TOWN with Claire Trevor, Albert Dekker. Mon. Jan. 24--THE LODGER with Merle Oberon, Laird Cregar, George Sanders.

Tues. Wed., Jan. 25-26 ALI BABA AND THE FORTY THIEVES with Maria Montez, Jon Hall, Andy Devine.

Thur. Jan. 27--DOUBLE FEATURE--CAREER GIRL with Frances Langford, Edward Norris. ROOKIES IN BURMA with Alan Carney, Wally Brown.

Fri. Sat., Jan. 28-29 SONG OF RUSSIA with Robert Taylor, Susan Peters, Robert Benchley.

PRU WINS FIFTH STRAIGHT, KNOCKS 885 FROM TOP RUNG WITH 27--21 VICTORY

Psychological Research Unit basketball team was forced to come from behind to best a fighting 885 team 27-21 at the Field House Tuesday night. This victory was the fifth straight for PRU, and knocked previously unbeaten 885 out of a three-way tie for first place in the Enlisted Men's intra-squadron cage league at the Cadet Center.

It was a slam-bang game all the way with both teams substituting rough and tumble tactics for real basketball technique. The first quarter was a wild affair with neither team doing much in the scoring department and the period ended with PRU ahead 5-4. Slack, 885 center, tied the count with a charity toss at the outset of the second session, then baskets by Mike Brawsky, Bob Wells, Enos Slaughter and Slack increased the 885 margin to seven points at the half. In this period, PRU was restricted to a lone free throw by Bob Breen. The half ended 13-6 with the black clad team definitely in control.

WATERLOO

The third quarter was a thriller with the tide of battle gradually shifting to the Psych Unit. A long shot by Brawsky gave 885 its biggest lead as the third quarter opened. Bob Breen shot a basket and Windy Davis followed with three points to bring PRU to within three points. The 885 team surged back to re-establish their nine-point edge as Wells connected for a basket and a free throw and Brawsky whipped the cords again to make the score read 20-11. Slack, 885 rando center, was ejected on excessive fouls at this juncture and PRU kept whittling away at their opponents lead. Baskets by Breen, Bob Davis and two by Windy Davis for PRU made the count 20-19 in favor 885 at the end of the period.

885 could score but one point in the final frame while Breen and the Davis boys chalked up eight points for PRU. Bob Davis' free throw tied the score at 20-all as the quarter began. Houston of 885 put his team back in the lead momentarily on a free shot, then PRU took charge to win in the last two minutes.

Altitude Training Unit kept its unblemished record intact by overpowering 509 38-25. Center Walt Boardl was top scorer for the game with 15. As usual guard John McMahon paced the winners attack with 13 points.

CHIEF WYLLE STYMIED-MEDICS LOSE

With Collette scoring nine points, the well balanced 882 quintet hit its true stride by tripping the Medics 23-19. The Medic's three game winning streak was snapped as the 882nd gained a fifth place tie with them. The winners stopped the scoring antics of the

EM POST PT TEAM, SAACC OFFICERS CAGERS PLAY IN SERVICE LEAGUE, JAN. 27

A pair of basketball games involving the Cadet Center's two major entries in the Service League is the GI offering for Thurs. night, Jan. 27.

The Enlisted Men's quintet invades Ft. Sam Houston to meet the strong Medical Service School five that has been cutting a wide swath in local cage circles since early November. The Warhawk team must be at its best to dispose of the Medics whose scoring ace Charles Broadway, hasn't been stopped so far this season.

The Post officer's team plays host to the Hondo Navigation school officers at the Field House in a game that should produce plenty of action. Hondo boasts a 38-30 victory over Brooks in the Officers Division, and are determined to attach this game also.

Medic's ace, Chief Wylle, holding him to eight points.



881 in and out quintet shot back into the victory column with a grand exhibition of power to bury the 1043 Guard Squadron, 51-21. Little Frank Isola and "Si" Goodman led the way with 10 points each.

884 annexed it's initial triumph with a convincing 45-23 victory over Quartermaster. Roberts scored 21 points.

A game between the Hq. & Hq. Squadrons saw the Classification Center five blast the Preflight quintet 52-10. Austin scored 14 for the victors, Stokes seven for the losers.



Ankara, Turkey--An Istanbul newspaper reported a rumor that the Nazis secret weapon is a tunnel under the English Channel into Britain.

PHOTOS OF SAACC SOLDIERS APPEAR IN MARCH ISSUE OF "RING"--BOXING MAGAZINE

A feature story on the boxing activities at the Cadet Center and the filming of the Army Air Forces' film, "Survival of the Fittest" will appear in the March issue of The Ring, an internationally circulated sporting magazine. The story will appear on page 14 and will include pictures of men on the post. It will be on sale about Feb. 1.

Because of the great demand for the magazine, it is suggested that those interested reserve their copies at the various post exchanges. The magazine is published by Nat Fleischer, famous editor, who has been of great help to servicemen all over the world in giving away free equipment, aiding their athletic programs, lecturing and showing films of the sport.

Reserve your copy of The Ring at the PX today!

EM SHARPSHOOTERS BLAST RANDOLPH RAMBLERS 38-29

The post EM basketball team defeated Randolph field 38-29 on the Rambler's floor Thursday night to mark up their second successive Service League victory. Ft. Sam Houston Medical Service School and the Warhawks are currently tied for the circuit leadership.

SAACC put on the pressure in the first and final periods to hand the determined Ramblers team its second straight defeat. It was a slip shod exhibition of basketball on the part of both teams with Lt. Keith, Randolph forward, taking scoring honors with 12 points while Eddie Rathjen paced the winners with 11.

A preliminary joust found the Cadet Center officers team dropping a 48-30 decision to the Randolph officers in their first league encounter. Following is the box score of the Enlisted Men's game:

SAACC	FG	FT	TP
Boardl-f	2	1	5
Richardson-f	3	2	8
Breen-f	2	0	4
Rathjen-c	4	3	11
Easley-g	2	1	5
McMahon-g	2	1	5
Totals	15	8	38

RANDOLPH	FG	FT	TP
Weinstein-f	0	0	0
Keith-f	5	2	12
Ferris-c	4	0	8
Scollard-g	3	1	7
Carellon-g	0	0	0
Tinajero-g	0	0	0
Cody-g	1	0	2
Totals	13	3	29

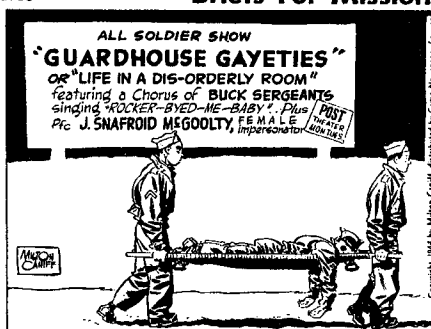
Score at half: SAACC 20-Randolph 14. Personal fouls, SAACC 7, Randolph 11.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



Briefs For Mission



QUEEN TO BE SELECTED AT LEAP YEAR DANCE

A Leap Year Queen will be selected by popular vote at the Thurs., Jan. 27 EM dance at Service Club No. 1. Starting time: 0800. On your mark, soldiers. S/Sgt. Bob Fite and his Hill Top City Orchestra will furnish the music.

Soldiers will be their own selectors. Girls will be tapped on their shoulders and asked to step up on the stage. At a given time the contest will close and the girls will individually be applauded. The winner will be the SAACC Leap Year Girl.

Among the girls dancing will be 32 college graduates, 60 business girls, 32 working toward their college degrees, and 84 high school seniors. They belong to the well-established Girls



Reading left to right: Betty Lou Moreland, Craig Jackson, S/Sgt. Seymour Phillips, Betty Hubbard.

Service Organization, now a year old. These girls have been recruited for hundreds of service men's dances weekly in the last twelve months, and have in addition held their own weekly USO dances.

As in the past, buses will be waiting to bring your partners to SAACC. For those who have previously attended, city buses will be waiting at the Gunter Hotel entrance. For the newcomers, buses will start from the Army—Y.

78 TRAINING WING ACTIVATED

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Center, has assumed additional duties as acting Wing adjutant.

The Wing, one of four established under the Central Flying Training Command, has supervision of classification of all aircrew trainees and preflight training of pilots, bombardiers and navigators. Included in its Command are Classification area and preflight school for pilots at the Cadet Center, preflight schools for bombardiers and navigators at Ellington Field, Texas, and Selman Field, Monroe, La.

The other three recently established wings are the 77th, the 79th and 80th. They will direct gunnery instruction and advanced pilot and navigator training at stations of the Central Flying Training Command.

Under the 78th Training Wing organization, Col. Edwin Sullivan has been appointed post executive officer and base commander of the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center. He previously served as headquarters commandant of the Center.

4th WAR LOAN

HOPE HIGH THAT SAACC SOLDIERS, CIVILIANS WILL BEST 1943 WAR LOAN MARK

With a reputation to uphold, military and civilian SAACC personnel dug deep into pockets as the 4th War Loan Drive gathered momentum. The goal was to beat the mark of nearly half a million dollars worth purchased in the 3rd War Bond Drive last year.

"We have a better standing than any other field in this territory," declared Maj. James H. Mickey, Post War Bond officer. Civilian employees looked at the "Minute Man Flag" flying outside Civilian Personnel Headquarters. There is but one other of the 16 posts listed as "miscellaneous" in the 8th Service Command entitled to fly that flag—emblematic of more than 90 percent with allotments totalling over 10 percent of the gross civilian payroll. SAACC reached 10.6 percent which was spread over 97.3 percent of the civilian employees as of November.

"The Fourth War Loan Drive will bring increases all along the line," Maj. Mickey announced. "The War Department is emphasizing increases in Class A pay reservations and Class B pay allotments for bonds during this drive for which War Department units have been in progress since Jan. 1."

Let's lend more in '44!!!!

FOOD CONSERVATION WEEK COINCIDES WITH BOND DRIVE

Fifty men were being selected as winners in the food conservation contest held this week at the Cadet Center. One dollar in war stamps went to the men who walked out of the mess halls from Jan. 18-25 with the cleanest plates. Thereby the 4th War Loan Drive received impetus.

The Contest drew the praise of Texas' Governor Coke Stevenson and Mayor Gus Mauermann of San Antonio. The governor praised officers and men at the Post for the spirit of the campaign to prevent waste.

Mayor Mauermann issued a proclamation setting aside Jan. 20 as "Food Conservation" Day in San Antonio, urging all citizens to join the campaign in effect at the Post. He urged that everyone "conserve food for victory".

During the week one person was assigned to each mess hall to check plates at the mess hall. Mess sergeants, who have always urged elimination of waste, have reported that the amount of garbage was negligible and that the campaign was a success.

A local bakery contributed a half page in the San Antonio Evening News backing the Cadet Center conservation program and urging the purchase of war bonds.

Col. Michael F. Davis noted that the conservation program has been in effect at the Cadet Center for many months and that the contest was not a new departure. However, he pointed out that the need for elimination of waste was constant and that it must be continued for the duration.

BAMPTON PLEASES SYMPHONY AUDIENCE - ORCHESTRA IMPROVED

By Pvt. Herman Brandmiller

Rose Bampton, leading soprano of the Metropolitan Opera Company was the guest soloist with the San Antonio Symphony Orchestra at its weekly concert last Saturday night.

Included in Miss Bampton's numbers were "O Patria Mia", Aria from Verdi's *Aida*; "Nacqui All' Affano", Aria from Rossini's *Cenerentola*, and as an encore to this first group the *sepidella* from Bizet's *Carmen*. For her second group Miss Bampton sang several lighter numbers—Romance by Rubinstein, *Hey Diddle Diddle* by Hughes and Tyson's *Sea Moods*. Let My Song Fill Your Heart and When I have Sung My Songs to You by Ernest Charles, were her encores in the second half of the program. The appreciative audience called Miss Bampton back again and again, and as final encore she repeated Hughes' *Hey Diddle Diddle*.

Those who have regularly attended concerts at the Municipal Auditorium say that Miss Bampton is one of the few soprano soloists heard in the Auditorium whose voice carried to all parts of the hall without losing its warmth and color. Miss Bampton demonstrated her operatic style admirably in the two Arias from Verdi and Rossini.

Cesar Franck's *Symphony in D Minor* was the Symphonic number on the program and the orchestra's main contribution. The orchestra seemed considerably improved over last week's Gershwin program, but is still too heavy in brass and percussion sections. At times the brasses sounded like a circus band and almost drowned out the soloist. In the orchestra's encore Reiter wandered away from strict Symphonic music in Leroy Anderson's "Jazz Pizzicato". The other orchestra number was Chabrier's "Espagna".

Yves Chardon, formerly with the Boston Symphony and first cellist with the San Antonio orchestra this year, appeared on the program in three solo numbers. Saint Saen's, *The Swan*; Ravel's *Piece in the form of Habenera*; and his own "Rumba". For an encore he played Schubert's ever popular "The Bee". The San Antonio orchestra is fortunate in having Chardon among its personnel this year.

The "prize fight" atmosphere still prevails in the lobby and the ever present late-comers caused Reiter to prolong the break between the first and second movements of Franck's *Symphony* exceptionally long.



CLASSICAL MUSIC

Men who like classical music should be around the USO Club at 505 N. Presa Thursday night, Jan. 27 at 2000. Jan. 27 is the 188th anniversary of the birthday of the composer, Mozart. His music will be featured on the program.

Mozart recordings will be played and a motion picture on Mozart's life will be shown. There will also be a discussion on this composer's contribution to the music world. Any service man is welcome.

This same USO Club is also offering a "Night at the Opera" to service men Saturday, Jan. 29 at 2030.

THE SERGEANT

By Cpl. Junior Graber

When Jack Lockheard shed his two stripes and became a full fledged sergeant, he adopted the belligerent attitude attached to the rating.

Prescribed morning duties the new sergeant did with gusto; accompanied by a steady, bellowing flow of minor profanity. His manner, though a trifle rough at times, did get results: the men were up and dressed by reveille.



Weeks dragged into months. After a season Sgt. Lockheard had passed the "awkward stage" between junior non-com and junior grade senior non-com. And he shortened his morning call "Git the hell out of there to 'Git the hell up'". The sergeant had definitely changed from devil to cherub.

One bright late-summer, mid-afternoon, while details were disappearing under wood piles, in trees, and among the tall grasses for a little genteel goldbricking, Jack found himself outside the Orderly Room. While glancing hastily over the bulletin board he heard voices from the window of the CO's office. The captain and Sgt. Whitt - S/Sgt. Whitt - were discussing the transfer of this same Whitt to another outfit.

"The fates are good", said Lockheard to himself as he tip-toed away, "to let me in on something as good as this. Just a little buckin' and I'll have that shack stripe to keep me warm for the winter!"

So Sgt. Lockheard, the cherub, grew horns and a spiked tail. The slack that had developed in three months of acclimation to three stripes was snapped to rigidity. Once more Sgt. Lockheard took up the cry of, "Git the hell out of bed!"

At last the day arrived for Sgt. Whitt's departure. The CO was putting on a review parade in honor of the occasion as a lasting memento for Whitt to carry with him.

The men were falling out in

front of their respective barracks in a well rehearsed, orderly fashion when Sgt. Lockheard noticed that no one had assembled from the last barrack at the end of the squadron street.

"It's mutiny", shouted the satanic sergeant and raced down the walk to the unholy building.

"Git the hell out of bed", he shouted as he barged in, pulling off a blanket here, banging a bedpost there, and generally disturbing the peace and quiet of a barrack full of sleeping men. The commotion was heard above the rumpus of the general assembly.

The captain rushed in demanding, "What's the trouble here, sergeant?"

"These men haven't gotten up for formation, sir." The captain laughed and explained, "These men came in last night and instead of awakening you I had them use it for their quarters. You see, sergeant, these men are transient officers, and this building is a BOQ."

THRU THE NITE

Here I sit, tense, alert, a lonely vigil keep.

While all about me on the ground all things are asleep.

The earphones rest upon my head, each phone against my ear, While thru the darkness of the nite, watchfully, I peer.

The silvery splendor of the moon as it floats across the sky

Remains unnoticed as I steadily gaze with a searching eye.

A falling star downward floats as from some heavenly gate

A burning ember from the stove shook down by the hands of fate.

North, south, east, west, Saturn, Mars, Venus,

I gaze upon the planets and all the space between us.

I watch the wind, I see the cold, the clouds both high and low,

I note the pressure of the air for rain or hail or snow.

The wind may howl, the rain may pour, the sky rumble, groan.

The heavens may split wide open, Yet I sit alone

Watching the sky, and the elements in their power,

When I'm on the midnite shift in the airways control tower.

WINGS INTO HEAVEN

Pvt. Harry F. Metzger

Oh I have seen the vaulted ships of God -
Sail by in Majesty beyond my silver wings
And I have loved the air in space above
Unbreathed - unstained - by touch of human things.
Oh I have watched the myriad flocks
Spill silver showers in hungry lakes
That formed high above the earth
Dot Highest Heavens wide with Silvery flakes.

Sweet high - high beyond the reach of birds
Poor creatures - feather bound to earth.
Touched soft palatial pillows there,
Where God reviews his wondrous works.
There commencing with my God,
I've glimpsed the steps that lead to Heaven
Have felt his breath upon my cheek,
And lived the peace that it had given.

Soared joyful into softest blues
That man had never touched before.
Looked out on cloudy pasture - lands
And near forgot that men could war.
Tread - cat like on my silver wings
Through balaces unknown to men
Reached out and touched God's hand
And heard Him say - "Come soon,
and walk with me again!"



Q. Does a three-day pass count against my furlough time?

A. No. Passes up to 72 hours are not entered on your service record and do not count against your furlough time.

Q. If a soldier is taken ill on furlough, what does he do?

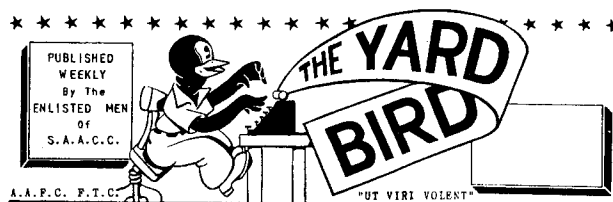
A. First he hotfoots it to the nearest Army hospital where he is treated. His furlough ceases automatically once he is hospitalized but he may resume it when he's discharged from the hospital. If there is no Army hospital in his home town area the soldier is urged to light out for the nearest civilian hospital where the bill will be paid by a special fund maintained by the Surgeon General.

The Wolf

by Sansone



"I've lived here a long time, soldier—but I've never heard of that custom before!"



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